[Mr. G. Velu Pillai.]

(*c*) whether there is any recognised Vishavaidyasala at Haripad;

(*d*) the date when the recognition was given;

(*e*) whether the inhabitants of Kartikapalli taluk have been making representations to Government for giving grant to the Vishavaidyasala at Haripad;

(*f*) whether the Vishavaidyan belongs to a backward community:

(*g*) whether any grant was given to any Vishavaidyasala in 1116, 1117 or 1118; and

(*h*) if so, how many were given such grants?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: (*a*) 24.

(*b*) 1.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) 21-11-1930.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) He is a Ganakan by caste.

(*g*) Yes.

(*h*) Only one.

Dry Tapioca.

10. ✻**MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether dry tapioca is being stored by merchants and planters with a view to profiteering?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN: Government are not aware of any such instance although this is not unlikely.

MR. K. DOMINIC JOSEPH (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): What is the foundation for stating that it is not unlikely that merchants and planters will store tapioca with a view to profiteering? Is it proper for Government to make a general insinuation of this character as regards planters? It is a well-known fact that planters, if at all they purchase tapioca, utilise it for distribution to the labourers. They do not trade on tapioca with a view to profiteering. Under such circumstances, to say that it is not unlikely that planters store tapioca with a view to profiteering is casting insinuation on the general class of planters. Is that proper?

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN: There are planters of tapioca. What is stated in the answer is only "merchants and planters". Profiteering is in the human nature and so it is stated that it is not unlikely. That is all what is intended by the answer.

PRESIDENT: Profiteering is one of the respectable professions of India now-a-days, so far as I can see. There seems to be very little notice taken of it even in very high quarters. It is one of the new professions that is slowly struggling into existence.

Temporary Registry offices.

11. ✻**MR. K. R. NARAYANAN** (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of temporary Registry Offices sanctioned, and the taluks to which they have been so sanctioned?

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